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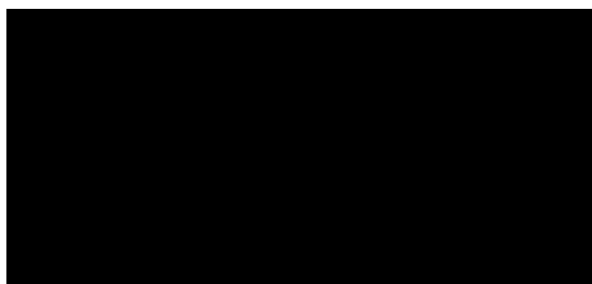
Dear Colonel Diercks:

Acknowledgement is made of your kind invitation to the Central Intelligence Agency to send representatives to the Conference on Military Requirements for Geodesy to be held at the Army Map Service, Washington, D. C., on 6-7 August 1959.

The Conference program appears to be ^{well} excellently conceived, and we welcome ^{the} ~~this~~ opportunity to ^{send} ~~provide~~ selected intelligence officers. ~~with additional background on U.S. requirements.~~ I feel that the Conference ^{will have a direct bearing on} ~~should benefit the accomplishment of~~ certain national intelligence production responsibilities of the Agency and ~~in addition~~ ^{inter-agency (or interdepartmental)} should facilitate the interdepartmental coordination of U.S. requirements for geodetic data and topographic maps of the Sino-Soviet Bloc.

Accordingly, it would be appreciated if arrangements ~~could be~~ ^{are made for the} effected for the attendance of the following persons, each of whom ^{Top Secret} has a security clearance through ~~Top Secret~~:

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Very truly yours,

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